
Introduced by Senator Ortiz

February 22, 2005

An act to add Section 25928 to the Health and Safety Code, relating to asbestos.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 655, as introduced, Ortiz. Asbestos task force.

Existing law provides for the Asbestos Assessment Task Force, composed of representatives from the State Department of Health Services, the Department of Industrial Relations, the Department of General Services, and the Commission on Building Standards, to analyze the magnitude of the asbestos problem in public buildings.

This bill would require the California Environmental Protection Agency to convene a task force, consisting of the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment, the Department of Toxic Substances Control, the State Air Resources Board, and the State Department of Health Services, to evaluate policies and adopt guidelines for the mitigation of risks associated with naturally occurring asbestos.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 25928 is added to the Health and Safety
- 2 Code, to read:
- 3 25928. The California Environmental Protection Agency shall
- 4 convene a task force, consisting of the Office of Environmental
- 5 Health Hazard Assessment, the Department of Toxic Substances
- 6 Control, the State Air Resources Board, and the State Department

- 1 of Health Services, to evaluate policies and adopt guidelines for
- 2 the mitigation of risks associated with naturally occurring
- 3 asbestos.

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